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LB 248A, 346

PRESIDENT: LB 248A passes with the emergency clause attached. Before we go to the last bill on Final Reading, the Chair would like to introduce some guests of Senator Chronister, 47 students ninth grade, junior-senior high from West Point, Nebraska, Mrs. Lynn Sill, teacher. They are up here in the North balcony. Would the West Pointers wave to us to show us where they are up here? Welcome to your Legislature. We will now read the final bill on Final Reading for today, LB 346, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion on the desk.

PRESIDENT: Read the motion.

CLERK: Senator Nichol moves to return LB 346 to Select File for specific amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, the other day you will recall that Senator Schmit and Senator Vickers had a concern about furnishing attorneys for juveniles who were in trouble with the law and some of them have a problem with just ordinary juvenile delinquencies while others are involved in the parental rights and the severance of parental rights. And in such cases, of course, it has been the function of the courts to provide attorneys for parents when they cannot afford to do so when the parental rights are in jeopardy. So what this amendment does is say that in cases other than parental rights, attorneys will not be provided for the parents, which of course should not be necessary. It was my opinion that we could put it on next year since the bill does not go into effect until the middle of 1982. However, Senator Schmit and Senator Vickers would like it on now. If the body would like to bring it back for that, why it is acceptable to us, of course, and don't have any problem with it, and as I understand, we could put it on and still get it to Final Reading this year. I move for the return of the bill.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? Senator Nichol, I guess that is your opening and your closing. The question then is the return of LB 346 for the specific Nichol amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries. LB 346 is returned. Senator Nichol, do you wish to move to adopt your amendment?